

1040 2nd Street, Suite 103 Sturgis, SD 57785

Announcements

Candidate Forum - Tuesday, April 2 at 6:00 p.m. in the Erskine Building. City Elections - April 9, 2013. Polls open 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Story Hour at the Library - Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m. for children ages 3-5. Free Computer Classes - Tuesdays and Thursdays at the library. Check the library website page for class topics and schedules.

Chamber Mixer at the Library - April 16 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. Stop by for refreshments and help us celebrate National Library Week.

City Wide Garage Sale - May 4 Contact the Chamber for details. Mark your calendar for the City Wide Spring Clean Up - May 6 - 10.



Upcoming Meetings

Sturgis City Council: April 1 and 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Erskine Building.

Planning and Zoning: April 2 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall, Room A. **Park Board:** April 9 at 7:00 p.m. at the Morman Law Firm.

MUB: April 10 at 8:00 a.m. at City Hall, Room A. **Library Board:** April 24 at 4:00 p.m. at the Library.

Officials

Mayor

Mark Carstensen 490-1044

Council Members

Ward One: Joe DesJarlais 347-7928 Kelly Vasknetz 490-0361

Ward Two:
David Hersrud 347-5061
Marcia Johnston 347-2483

Ward Three: Ron Waterland 720-5010 Jamie McVay 720-5780

Ward Four:
Tim Potts 720-4233
Dane Sundstrom 490-1172

City Manager
Daniel Ainslie 347-4422



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Aspen Grove Assisted Living Facility Nears Completion



Photo Courtesy of Bob Davis 2013

Aspen Grove located at 2065 Moose drive will be opening this summer. The 33-unit assisted living facility will offer spacious studio and deluxe studio apartments. Each apartment will feature large windows, a private bath with shower, walk-in closets and a 24-hour emergency response system. The one level community area is highlighted by a spacious living room with a fireplace, theater and an on-site beauty/barber shop. Each apartment comes with support services including trained staff on site 24 hours a day, three meals plus snacks served daily, weekly apartment cleaning, laundry service, social outings and paid utilities. Additional health-related services are also available for an additional fee.

The facility is managed by Welcov Healthcare out of Edina, Minnesota. For more information please call 952-873-7977 or visit the welcov website at <u>www.welcov.com</u>.

USA Pro Supermoto Race Gets Approval

For the first time in history, a supermoto race will take place on the streets of downtown Sturgis. The race, scheduled for September 14 and 15, will feature professional and amateur racers from around the U.S.A. Supermoto races are very popular in urban areas where riders are challenged with racing on paved city streets as well as sections of dirt track. The course is designed with a combination of flat track, motocross and street racing features with jumps, turns and other challenges. The racers ride light weight motocross bikes that have slick racing tires and other modifications to accommodate this type of track.

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Sturgis Library to Celebrate National Library Week

National Library Week will take place April 14 - 20, 2013. The theme for this year's celebration is *Communities Matter at Your Library*. With this in mind, the Sturgis Library has scheduled several events and everyone is invited to stop by the library to learn more about the many resources offered to those living in our community.

- ▼ The Library will host a Chamber Mixer on Tuesday, April 16th, from 5:00-7:00. During the mixer there will be a special Book Sale Preview opportunity with the best used books available for sale. Everyone attending the mixer will get a free book.
- ▼ The Book Sale will continue on April 17 and 18 in the Program Room at the Library. Please stop by and stock up on great books and videos.
- ♥ The Library will also offer *Food for Fines* throughout the week. Pay your fines with nonperishable food items, and all the food will go to the Sturgis Food Pantry.
- ♥ Finishing out National Library Week is the History at High Noon Program on Friday, April 19.

Please join us in celebrating National Library Week. In addition to the events listed above, the library will also offer Story Time, free Computer Training, Game Day, and a variety of special programs for all ages.



The City will soon be taking applications for Temporary Rally Employment.

We will have positions within the Community Center, Public Works and Rally Departments.

Watch our website in April for job announcements and application information.



(Supermoto Race)

Spectators are encouraged to watch the free event from several vantage points along the track. The pit area will be open to the public on the Friday prior to the race but will be closed to the public on race days. Spectators are also encouraged to watch the riders practice on the Friday prior to the race.

Matt Stewart of USA Pro Supermoto and Dirt Promotions of Sturgis will manage the race. The City of Sturgis will provide track preparation, traffic control and other infrastructure services. Portions of Main Street as well as First, Second and Third Streets will be closed when the track is being prepared and the race is taking place.

The City Council is hopeful that this event will turn into a yearly event that will provide the community with a much needed economic boost during the shoulder season after summer events have ended for the year.

More information about the race as well as a map of the track can be found by visiting Sturgis Supermoto on Facebook or contact Cara at Sturgis Cycle Hutt by e-mail cara.o@cyclehutt.com or by phone 605-645-6714. For a full schedule including contestant information, visit the official website at sturgissupermoto.com.

Election Reminder

The Sturgis City Election is scheduled for April 9. Races will include two City Council positions as well as Mayor.

Incumbent Mark Carstensen is being challenged by Penny Harvey Green for the Mayoral position.

City Council elections will include: Ward One, incumbent Joe DesJarlais running against challenger Mike Bachand. In Ward Two, incumbent David Hersrud is running unopposed. Also running unopposed in Ward Three is Jason Anderson. Ward Four will have two new contenders with Jim Harrison running against Branden



Bestgen. Current City Council representatives Jamie McVay and Dane Sundstrom are not seeking re-election.

Sample ballots are available at City Hall and on the city website. Absentee ballots are available from the Finance Office,

absentee votes can be turned in up until 3:00 p.m. on Election Day.

Polls will be open at the Sturgis Community Center from 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. on April 9. All voters must show identification at the poll. If you are not sure which ward you live in, please call the City Finance Office at 347-4422. Election results will be posted on the city website at <u>Sturgis-sd.gov</u> as soon as the results are in.

Employee Spotlight - Municipal Utility Board (MUB)

Our Employee Spotlight continues with a series about the various boards and committees that help the City by providing guidance and oversight.

A fact that often causes confusion with residents is that the Sturgis Water System operates under the authority of the Sturgis Municipal Utilities Board (MUB) and not the City Manager.

The MUB was formed in 1978 following a vote of the Sturgis residents. The Board is made up of three members who are appointed volunteers in staggered three year terms. The Board meets on the second Wednesday of each month to monitor the day-to-day work of the Water Department. The Board reviews progress on major capital improvement projects, makes recommendations to Council regarding the payment of claims, and hears resident concerns. The MUB also oversees the billing of sanitation and wastewater services on behalf of the City.

The MUB has the authority to set water rates as well as adopt regulations to govern connections to and the use of the Sturgis Water System. While technically a stand-alone entity with specific authority under state statute, the MUB staff works closely with all city departments to successfully carry out its mission to provide clean drinking water to the residents of the Sturgis community.



City Wide Spring Clean Up Week May 6 - 10
Visit the City website for details.

Sturgis Community Center Asking For Input On Future Upgrades

The Sturgis Community Center would like to hear from the community regarding future upgrades at the Community Center.





If you would like to see new or different equipment or if you have ideas for new activities or programs, please contact Community Center Director Rod Heikes by calling 347-6513 or send an e-mail to Rod at rheikes@sturgisgov.com.

Contact Information

City Hall 347-4422 City Attorney 347-4422 Code Enforcement and Inspections 347-4422

Finance Office 347-4422 Human Resources 347-4422 Rally Department 720-0800 1040 2nd Street

Community Center 347-6513 5:00 - 9:00 Mon. - Fri. 8:00 - 8:00 Sat. Noon - 8:00 Sun. 1401 Lazelle Street

Fire & Ambulance 347-5801 Emergency 911 7:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri. 1901 Ballpark Road

Library 347-2624 8:30 - 7:00 Mon. -Thur. 8:30 - 5:00 Fri. 8:30 - 4:00 Sat. 1040 2nd Street

Liquor Store 347-5983 8:00 - 9:00 Mon. - Sat. 10:00 - 6:00 Sun. 1075 Lazelle Street

Parks Department 347-9018 8:00 - 5:00 Mon. - Fri. 1920 Ballpark Road Shelter Reservations call 347-4422

Police Department 347-5070 Emergency 911 1400 Main Street

Public Works 347-3916 7:00 - 4:00 Mon. - Fri. 1057 Dudley Street Rubble Site 8:00 - 5:00 Tue. - Fri. 8:00 - 12:00 and 1:00 - 5:00 Mon. and Sat.

Water Department 347-4425 8:00 - 4:45 Mon. - Fri. After Hours Emergency call Police Dispatch 347-2573 1040 2nd Street Drop boxes: 2901 Vanocker Canyon and City Hall 1040 2nd Street